



RED WING COMPOSITE SQUADRON MINNESOTA WING - CIVIL AIR PATROL



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The Official Newsletter of the Red Wing Composite Squadron

Would you want to fly on a C-130 Airplane??

Our squadron has finally been offered Orientation Flights in a C-130 military aircraft. On November 19th 2002, 15 members of Red Wing Squadron will be flying into the blue on an Aeromedical Flight. Show time begins at 1730 (5:30pm), take-off time is at 1930 (7:30pm), and the plane will be landing at 2130 (9:30pm). I do realize that this is a weeknight & some parents may be concerned with the timing of the flight, but our squadron has been waiting for 2 years to get one of these flights. They do not come around very often.

We are only authorized to bring 15 members on the flight with us. At least 2 of the 15 will be Squadron Senior Members. So I am sure that the spots will fill up quickly. We may even be forced to have a selection process.

Takeoff is at 1930 & the flight will last for 2.0 hours. Limit 15 CAP persons. A few of our cadets may be asked to act as patients for awhile on this Aeromedical Evacuation training flight. No organ transplant or heart defibrillator training is planned.

Be advised that the minimum requirements are members only, completed Achievement (Cadet) or Level (Senior) One, in complete and proper BDU uniform (correct grooming and all insignia required), CAP Card for ID, complete and on time paperwork. It is strongly suggested you provide a thank you treat for the crew and a public affairs article for your units newsletter on your experience. A complete list of CAP persons, including Social Security #, CAPID #, and Emergency Contact must be provided to the Air Force Reserve.

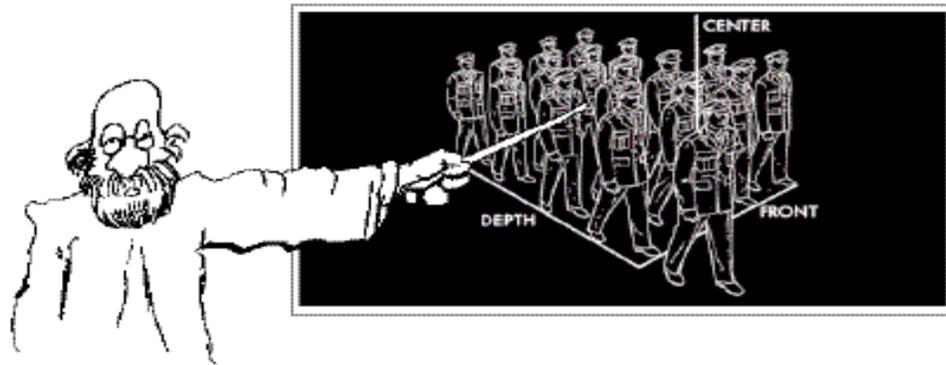
Each eligible person will have to present two forms of ID (CAP Card ID and a preferably picture ID (school picture ID ok)), for security at the gate. The Security Forces will conduct screening through the metal detector prior to boarding.

Inclement weather or maintenance may result in cancellation, listening to WCCO to determine if the Air Force Base or airport will be closed might be best. In the event the flight is delayed or cancelled, attempts will be made to contact the SM Project Officer by telephone and/or email address listed.

So, if you are interested in attending this experience, make sure to see Lt Lucas or Maj Eckhoff as soon as possible. This is an experience that does not come around very often, as I stated, we have been on a waiting list for almost 2 years. With approximately 26 squadrons in the state & the fact that the Air Force Reserve's does not really take a lot of civilians up for rides, we are extremely lucky to have this opportunity. I hope that there will be a lot of participation with this activity.

Dr. Drill: Half-Baked Half Face...

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Dr. Drill,

Is there such things as a half left and half right face still in existence in the United States Air Force Drill in Ceremonies manual?

I just moved to Florida and this is the first time I've heard of that.

Matthew S. Wandell,

C/CMSgt. C.A.P.

Cadet Deputy Commander FL-423

Dr. Drill Responds

Dear Matthew,

Welcome to a Wing that does *all* the drill maneuvers. Florida sure has a strong cadet program, eh?! Apparently, they have read paragraph 3.4.3 of the AFMAN 36-2203. It goes

“3.4.3. Half right (left) Face. When instructions are given for a 45-degree movements, the command Half Right (Left), FACE may be used. The procedures described in paragraph 3.4.1 are used except each person executes the movement by facing 45 degrees to the right or left.”

Having read that paragraph, you might think, “Gee, Dr. Drill...it just says the command may be used...” What else can I do?

Well, my dear Michael, if a Half Left Face is desired, and you really don't want to give the command Half Left, FACE...you could always give your flight an About, FACE, followed by a Right, FACE, then a half Right, FACE. This would achieve the same result, plus your cadets would have the added bonus of nausea and dizziness! Sound like fun? Sure! Of course, you realize that this is NOT the point of drill and ceremonies, and you crumple up and throw away the script for this hair-brained idea.

OK...I know what you are thinking. “Well, Dr. Drill...I can see now that I've opened my manual that the command is in there, but why, oh, WHY, Dr. Drill, would any one give this command?” Well, that's a good question! Looks like you're getting TWO Dr. Drill answers for the price of ONE! How lucky can one Cadet Chief Master Sergeant GET?

Here's one use for the Half Right (Left) Face command. Let's say you're in a large formation at encampment, and you're doing physical conditioning. (Some call it PT-short for either Physical Training or Physical Torture...but I won't go there...) You want to do push-ups as part of this Physical Conditioning (don't ask about push-ups in CAP...that's a topic for another day). You don't have enough room to do a double-interval dress-right-dress in all directions (not like that would be a good thing, anyway!) You're already at Double Interval. Give the basics a Half Right, (Left), FACE, and they'll have lots of room to do their pushups. Sound cool?

So, Matthew...does this answer your question? I hope so, because Dr. Drill's time is valuable (NOT) and he has many other important things to do (BOLDFACE LIE). Feel free to submit additional questions to Dr. Drill, who is currently ranked 1,342nd in the world in the world-famous, if not totally unknown Olympic event of Full Contact Competition Drill and Ceremonies.

Dr. Drill

Upcoming Activities

Upcoming Meetings and Activities

Please remember that the Meeting Agendas may (and will) occasionally change.

Also remember to always dress for the weather, as we may be outside.

7 November 2002	<i>Regular Meeting</i> Uniform: To be Determined Meeting Plan To be Determined
14 November 2002	<i>Regular Meeting</i> Uniform: To be Determined Meeting Plan to be Determined
21 November 2002	<i>Regular Meeting</i> Uniform: To be Determined Moral Leadership (Chaplain Mikitta) Meeting Plan to be Determined
28 November 2002	<i>No Meeting</i> Happy Thanksgiving!!
<p>You all may have noticed that most of the months schedule is "To be Determined". That is because it is time to give the Accelerated Leadership Cadets a chance to plan & schedule all of the meetings. We will have an updated schedule out by the 1st week of November. So be patient & let an ALP cadet know what you would like to see in the schedule!!</p>	

23 November 2002	<i>Possible Collection for the Troops</i> We are currently looking into hanging out at the mall for the day & collecting gifts to send to our Armed Forces Troops who will be overseas & away from home for the holidays. Any support from both cadets & parents would be greatly appreciated!!
6-7 December 2002	<i>Possible Aerospace Weekend</i> What better way to celebrate the anniversary of Civil Air Patrol than spend it with like minded individuals!!! We are looking into conducting Aerospace only activities for this weekend.

Renewals, Birthdays, New Members

Renewals:

November:

Mitch Spinler Blake Clerico
Lucas Hansen Travis Hansen
Jerry Hague Valerie King

December:

Alex Fisher Aaron Plumley
Donnie Mikitta
Gary Fried

Birthdays:

November:

Todd Mandel -11th Blake Clerico 24th
Blaze Cunningham 12th Paul Austin 8th
Ed Skog 14th Aaron Plumley 30th
Adam Carlstrom 26th Curtis Chaska 22nd

December:

Emily Hellmuth 28th Lucas Hansen 15th
Devin Severson 14th Jesese Ulvestad 19th

Welcome New Members:

Cadets

Chris Rosenthal
Alex Kramer

Seniors

Stephen Rosenthal

Membersip:

Cadets-27
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PROMOTIONS

*Cadet Airman Todd Plote *Major Blaze Cunningham
*Major Eckhoff received the Level 5 Paul Garber award

We have a new pilot in our squadron!!
Cadet Matt Brown received his Pilot's License at the beginning of October.

Parents Corner

With the first sports season winding down, many of you now have a chance to take a breath & gear up for the holiday season. I would like to let you all know that there are a few cadets in the squadron who are working hard towards putting together a Color Guard to participate in a Minnesota Wing Color Guard Competition. These cadets have put together a grueling schedule to practice & be ready to show the Wing what Red Wing Cadets are all about.

As most of you know, our squadron is a very young squadron. We have an overabundance of Airman that are willing to go above & beyond the commitment that most cadets have. It is very important for us as parents (and myself as the Deputy Commander for Cadets) to continue encouraging our cadets to promote & move forward in the program.

If any of you have been out to the hanger & looked around recently, there has been a huge amount of uniforms brought into Wing Supply. If you know that your son or daughter needs uniform parts, be sure to remind them as you let them off at the hanger to ask about the uniform parts that they may need. All of the other squadrons from the Wing get their uniform supplies from Red Wing & some of the better items (like boots & hats) tend to move out extremely fast.

The only other item that I would like to bring up is Carpooling. We currently have several cadets from Hastings. We also have several cadets from Zumbrota, several from Lake City, & several from various outlying areas. I would be happy to provide a phone list for any parent who wishes to set up carpooling. I know how hard it can be to drive your child ½ an hour away & then have to pick them up just 2 hours later. Of course you are all welcome to stay at the hanger. We usually have some quiet areas where work can be done & there is always a friendly ear to talk to.

See you all at the hanger!!

The First Cadet...

I would like to give all of my cadets some incentive to learn & grow with our program. I also want to make sure that EVERY CADET is reading this newsletter. Even though some of the newsletter does not seem to pertain to the cadets, the information is important to the entire squadron.

So....

The first CAP member that properly reports to 1Lt Mari Lucas & correctly recites the Cadet Oath & tells her what they should do when they might miss a meeting will win 2 prizes!!

